I know while writing this note, the decision has been made. For if you reached the point of public comment, the final "aye" is next. But there is always hope...

USF collections from Wireless ISP Business are placing an unfair burden on them. They are working on small margins and in a business that ILEC even have left. They have to install their own infrastructure, fight though complex and at times regulations that prevent them form doing the "right thing".

USF collections are nothing more then a TAX by ILEC via the FCC to keep small businesses from competing near their niche and at same time in large their bottom-lines. FCC may not view it that way, but that is the effect. It is "monopoly tending", just as ILEC have made it near impossible for a small company enter the "last mile" business in wired business. Here, with the help of FCC they are trying to prevent another business from servicing the "last mile" with a carrier that they can not control.

The FCC needs to help in improving service the people of US, by supporting the smallest businesses in competing against the monopolies of the past. In the past, The FCC removed the right of the community to determine construction standards about antenna masks and size in favor of more choices for the consumer, on the behalf of large companies trying to get around CC&Rs. That same ruling today, is helping the small Wireless ISP Business compete against these large companies.

The Internet showed that that using "newer" technology could have lower costs and the "Flat" pricing model can be both profitable and cost saving. But with this ruling, the FCC is going to hurt the consumers and in the end the some of the very people the USF was to help. If anything the FCC should stop giving the USF money to ILEC but instead the Wireless ISP to help support the infrastructure getting cheap and better service to these remote users were broadband today is 33K bits/sec.

The US Government in the past, gave "gifts" to railroads for building Trans-Continental lines, to Power, Phones, and Cable: monopoly rights and TV and Radio: bandwidth. These all have made large steps improving different areas a person life. Here the FCC should be support the Wireless ISP in helping again, improve people lives, but it seams instead, trying to slow or kill a fledgling service.

Remember, the US Government is based on "For the People", not "For the Mega-Corporations".

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